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USE OF INTRACELLULAR CALCIUM

CHELATORS TO INCREASE SURFACTANT

SECRETION IN THE LUNGS

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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In response to the Office action of April 22, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application, without prejudice, as follows. This paper is being submitted within the three-month shortened statutory period. No fee is believed due for the filing of this paper. However, if a fee is due, kindly charge deposit account 50-0573.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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